

Leg. Prog.

September 8, 1997

Memorandum 97-55

1997 Legislative Program: Status of Bills

Attached to this memorandum is a chart showing the status of items in the Commission's 1997 legislative program. This memorandum supplements the chart as to a few items. We will update this chart at the Commission meeting.

The 1997 legislative session ends Friday, September 12.

AB 939 (Ortiz/Ackerman) — mediation confidentiality. At the Senate Judiciary Committee hearing, the author agreed to delete the proposed amendment of Evidence Code Section 703.5. The amendment would have made clear that a mediator is precluded from testifying in a subsequent arbitration or administrative adjudication, as well as in a civil action or proceeding. This concession was necessary to avoid including a potentially controversial provision on mediator disclosure of conflicts of interest.

SB 209/261 (Kopp) — judicial review of agency action. The Senate Judiciary Committee is considering various dates and locations for an interim hearing on this matter, but has not yet finalized it. For further information on this bill, please refer to Memorandum 97-56.

SB 653 (Calderon)/SB 453 (Solis) — ALJ code of ethics. SB 653 (Calderon) has been converted into a bill relating to judicial review of Public Utilities Commission decisions. The ALJ code of ethics material is now amended into SB 453 (Solis), a bill to change the name of Workers Compensation Referees to Administrative Law Judges.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Secretary

STATUS OF 1997 COMMISSION LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(as of September 8, 1997)

AB 707 (Ackerman): Real Property Covenants (includes First Rule in Spencer's Case and Obsolete Restrictions)

AB 939 (Ortiz/Ackerman): Mediation Confidentiality

AB 1258 (Ackerman): Attachment by Undersecured Creditors

SB 68 (Kopp): Quasi-Public Entity Hearings

SB 143 (Kopp): Unfair Competition Litigation

SB 177 (Kopp): Best Evidence Rule

SB 209, 261 (Kopp): Judicial Review of Agency Action

SB 653 (Calderon)/453 (Solis): ALJ Code of Ethics

SCR 3 (Kopp): Continuing Authority to Study Topics

Bill Status		AB 707	AB 939	AB 1258	SB 68	SB 143	SB 177	SB 209, 261	SB 653/453	SCR 3
Introduced		Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	12/11/96	Jan 13	Jan 22	Jan 29	Feb 25	12/11/96
Last Amended		May 1	Sept 4	July 3	July 3	Apr 2	May 15	Apr 16	Sept 4	
First House	Policy Committee	2-Year Bill	Apr 16	May 7	Apr 8	2-Year Bill	2-Year Bill	2-Year Bill	Apr 8	Feb 18
	Fiscal Committee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Mar 17
	Passed House		Apr 24	May 19	Apr 21				Apr 17	Apr 3
Second House	Policy Committee		Aug 26	July 3	June 18				June 18	July 16
	Fiscal Committee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Aug 27
	Passed House		Sept 8	July 11	July 11				Sept 8	Sept 2
Concurrence				July 17	July 18					—
Governor	Received			July 21	July 23					—
	Approved			Aug 4	Aug 4					—
Chaptered by Secretary of State	Date			Aug 4	Aug 4					
	Chapter #			222	220					

• Unless otherwise noted, all dates are in 1997

[date]: scheduled

—: not applicable